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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-5. (Canceled)

- 6. (Currently amended) A <u>pharmaceutical composition comprising an amount of the polypeptide fragment of claim 25 sufficient to accelerate neovascularization-accelerator comprising the peptide or protein according to Claim 1, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.</u>
- 7. (Currently amended) A wound healing agent comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of the peptide or protein polypeptide fragment of claim [[1]] 25 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 8-22. (Canceled)

- 23. (Withdrawn, currently amended) A method for accelerating neovascularization comprising administering an effective amount of the peptide or the protein polypeptide fragment of claim [[1]] 25 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier therefor to a mammal.
- 24. (Currently amended) An agent for preventing and/or treating arteriosclerosis containing a pharmaceutically effective amount of the peptide or protein as defined in Claim 1 polypeptide fragment of claim 25 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier therefor.
- 25. (New) A polypeptide fragment of an N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase V (GnT-V), comprising a basic amino acid cluster region,

wherein the basic amino acid cluster region comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7 and up to 50 contiguous amino acids encoded by the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 6, or a variant thereof,

wherein the polypeptide fragment or variant thereof possesses neovascularization activity,

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wherein the number of amino acids modified by addition, removal, or substitution in the variant is up to 10% of the number of amino acids in the basic amino acid cluster region, and

wherein the addition, removal, or substitution is conducted on amino acids other than basic amino acids.

- 26. (New) The polypeptide of claim 25, wherein one amino acid other than a basic amino acid of the variant is added, removed, or substituted from the amino acid sequence encoded by the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 6.
- 27. (New) The polypeptide of claim 25, wherein the number of basic amino acids accounts for greater than 30% of the total number of amino acids in said fragment.
- 28. (New) The polypeptide of claim 25, consisting of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 11.
- 29. (New) The polypeptide of claim 25, consisting of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 7.
- 30. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 11 or a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 7.